

Air Expeditionary Force Technology Division

Responsibilities

- Conduct R&D Program to Protect Deployed Forces
- Develop and Field Technical Solutions to Deployed Force Operational Support Problems
- Conduct Environmental Research Program to Reduce Compliance Cost for Weapons Systems and Related Facilities

■ Emerging Research Emphasis

 Formulation of Program to Address AF Range Environmental Issues



Recent Initiatives

- Range Commander's Council (RCC) Range Environmental Group (REG)
 - Appointed to REG to Identify Funding Sources
 - Prepared Statement of Need and Obtained R&D Funding From SERDP
- Operational and Environmental Executive Steering Committee for Munitions (OEESCM)
 - Munitions Action Plan (12 April 2000)
 - Protect and Enhance Readiness
 - Maximize Safety
 - Minimize Adverse Impacts to Human Health and the Environment
 - Promote Public Support



Technical Issues

- What Are the Human Health and Environmental Effects of Using Munitions on Ranges?
- How Must the DOD Address These Effects to Allow the Continued Use of Ranges Necessary to Protect Military Readiness?
- Answer: No One Has the Answers

Source: "Range Sustainment Report", Dec. 99



Major Regulations and Impact

- Military Munitions Rule
- Range Rule
- DOD Std 6055.9
- Bottom Line Impact:

Additional Burden on an Already Constrained Budget!!